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SUMMARY. REPRESENTATIVES OF DOAE BRIEFED SGTA ON RESULTS OF NATO BASE CASE CAMPAIGNS RUN SO FAR. REMAINDER OF BASE CASE CAMPAIGNS AND REDUCTION CASES TO BE CONDUCTED ASAP WITH FOLLOW ON REPORT TO SGTA ON SEPTEMBER 18, 1973. ACTION REQUESTED: ANY AVAILABLE DATA ON EFFECTIVENESS OF NIGHT BADGER/BLINDER COUNTERAIRFIELD ATTACKS BY AUGUST 20. END SUMMARY.

1. CHAIRMAN SGTA OPENED MEETING BY STRESSING IMPORTANCE OF MOVING RAPIDLY AND PROPOSED FOLLOWING WORK SCHEDULE:

A. RESULTS OF NATO BASE CASE ANALYSIS: AUG 1-3.

B. REPORT TO MBFR WG ON BASE CASE ANALYSIS: SEPT 15.

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C. EFFECTS OF REDUCTIONS ON TACTICAL AIR EFFECTIVENESS: LATE SEPTEMBER.

D. REPORT TO MBFR WG ON RESULTS ON ITEM C: OCT 1.

E. SUMMARY REPORT TO INCLUDE INDICATIONS OF RESULTS:  
MID-OCTOBER.

F. COMPREHENSIVE REPORT TO MBFR WG: DECEMBER 15.

2. DOAE REPRESENTATIVES BRIEFED SGTA ON CHANGES MADE TO  
MODEL AS A RESULT OF LAST SGTA MEETING. THESE WERE:

A. NUMBER OF CYCLES PER DAY REDUCED FROM 6 TO 4.

B. COUNTER AIR ATTACKS AGAINST AIRCRAFT IN THE OPEN  
WOULD CEASE WHEN NUMBER OF ATTACKING AIRCRAFT REDUCED TO 4  
(PREVIOUSLY 8) PER AIRFIELD.

C. F-111 USED FOR NIGHT ATTACKS AGAINST RUNWAYS  
AFTER ATTACKS CEASE AGAINST AIRCRAFT IN THE OPEN.

D. EFFECTIVENESS OF THE CBU-24 WOULD BE TWICE THAT OF  
THE CBU-2 AGAINST AIRCRAFT IN THE OPEN.

E. REDEPLOYMENT OF WP GROUND DEFENSES, WHICH REDUCED  
THE DENSITY OF AAA FORCES BY 30 TO 40 PERCENT.

F. REDUCED TERMINAL WP DEFENSES TO ONE S-60 BATTERY AT  
EACH AIRFIELD AND INCREASED THE EFFECTIVENESS OF CHAPARRAL  
FROM ONE KILL PER RAID TO 4 KILL PER RAID.

G. WP AIR DEFENSE AIRCRAFT ONLY USED FOR ESCORT  
DURING FIRST THREE DAYS OF CAMPAIGN AND THEN REVERT TO AIR  
DEFENSE ROLE.

3. RESULTS OF ANALYSIS WERE PRESENTED IN FORM OF  
STANDARDIZED SORTIES FLOWN BY EACH SIDE. PRINTED OUTPUT  
DATA INCLUDES COUNTER AIR SORTIES FLOWN, NUMBER OF AIRCRAFT  
LOST, NUMBER OF AIRCRAFT REMAINING, AND SUPPORT SORTIES  
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FLOWN, SINCE THERE IS NO CORRELATION BETWEEN A WP STANDARD-  
IZED SORTIE AND NATO STANDARDIZED SORTIE, SGTA AGREED THAT  
DOAE SHOULD MAKE VISUAL PRESENTATION IN TERMS OF ACTUAL  
SORTIES FLOWN OR ADJUST STANDARDIZED SORTIES TO BE COMPARABLE  
WITH ACTUAL SORTIES. WHAT IS NOT IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE IS  
THE POTENTIAL FOR FUTURE COMBAT, I.E., AIRCRAFT REMAINING.  
DOAE AGREED TO PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION IN FUTURE BRIEFINGS.

4. WHILE NO ONE VARIATION OF BASE CASE PRODUCED RESULTS  
THAT WERE UNEXPECTED, RESULTS OF ANALYSIS WERE SENSITIVE TO  
EFFECTIVENESS OF F-111.

5. DOAE WILL COMPLETE GAMING OF BASE CASES PER AC/276(SGTA)-  
N/18, BEFORE GAMING THE EFFECT OF (A) 10 PERCENT NATO AND

WP REDUCTIONS, AND (B) 10 PERCENT NATO AND 30 PERCENT WP REDUCTIONS. IN BOTH (A) AND (B), IT IS ASSUMED THAT AIRCRAFT REDUCED COULD NOT BE REINTRODUCED IN TIME TO BE UTILIZED IN THAT ANALYSIS. REDUCTIONS WILL BE OF WP AIRCRAFT MOST DAMAGING TO NATO AND OF LEAST USEFUL NATO AIRCRAFT AND ALTERNATIVELY, OF NATO AIRCRAFT MOST DAMAGING TO WP AND WP REDUCTIONS WOULD BE FROM LEAST USEFUL WP AIRCRAFT.

6. ALL NATIONS ARE REQUESTED TO PROVIDE ANY AVAILABLE DATA ON EFFECTIVENESS OF BADGER/BLINDER NIGHT COUNTER AIRFIELD ATTACKS BY AUGUST 20. INFORMATION PREVIOUSLY REQUESTED IN REFTTEL WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

7. NEXT MEETING OF SGTA SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 18-20, 1973 TO DISCUSS RESULTS OF FURTHER ANALYSIS.  
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